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I oppose the National Association of Broadcasters petition to bar satellite radio services from broadcasting local and news and weather reports. I am a subscriber to XM Satellite Radio and a shareholder in XM's parent corporation. I have listened to XM's local weather and traffic report for Washington, DC and I find it very convenient - I just switch to the weather and traffic channel for Washington, DC and listen to the report - when I want it and without being force-fed mind-numbing commercial messages to get it.

The US is all about free markets and winning through superior product. XM's product is - in my opinion - far superior to anything offered on local AM / FM broadcast stations. Others may have a different opinion. The market should be allowed to provide the answer. Please do not deprive us subscribers of what in the long run may prove to be a far superior product.